

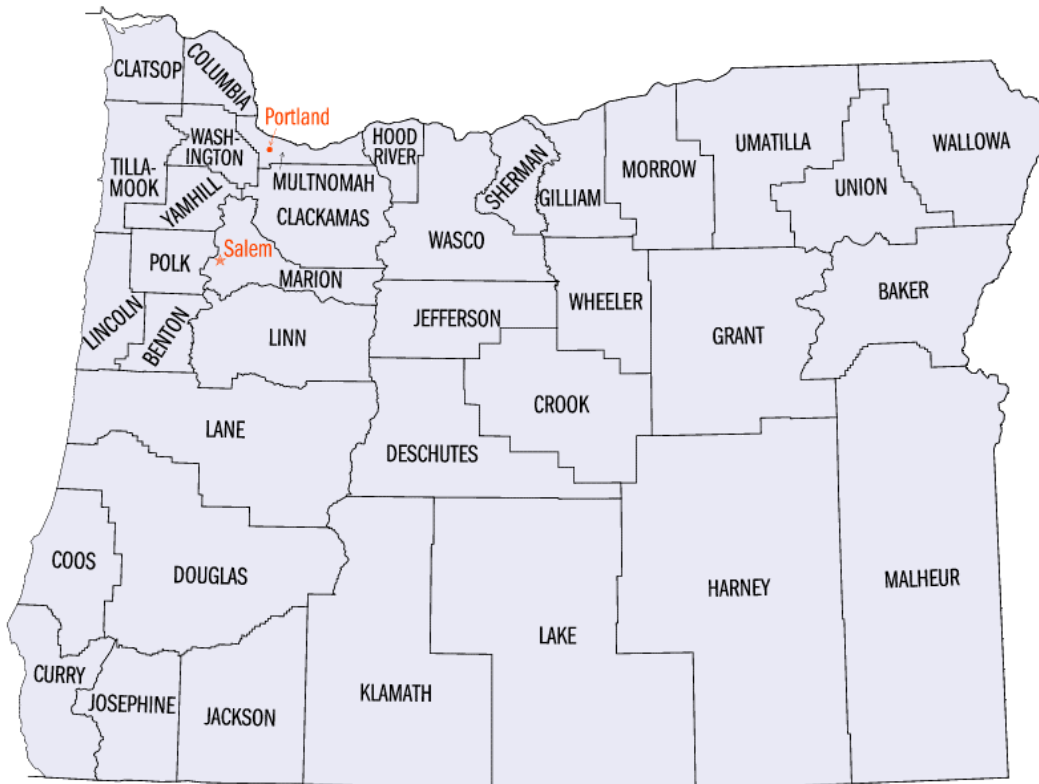
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Profile of Drug Indicators

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Salem, Oregon

The following profile contains information on demographics, political figures, programs, crime, drug use, drug trafficking, and enforcement statistics.

Demographics¹

- Population (2000 Census): 136,924
- Race/Ethnicity (2000 Census): 77.7% white; 1.2% black/African American; 1.2% American Indian/Alaska Native; 2.4% Asian; 0.5% Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander; 0.1% other race; 2.4% two or more races; 14.6% Hispanic/Latino (of any race)
- Salem is located in Marion County.

Politics

- Mayor: Janet Taylor²
- City Council (Wards 1-8, respectively): Kasia Quillinan; Jim Randall; Brad Nanke; Wes Bennett; Rick Stucky; Bruce Rogers; Anna Braun; Dan Clem³
- City Manager: Robert DeLong⁴
- Chief of Police: Walter Myers⁵
- Marion County Sheriff: Raul Ramirez⁶

Programs/Initiatives

- High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA)⁷
Designated in 1999, the Oregon HIDTA serves Clackamas, Deschutes, Douglas, Jackson, Marion, Multnomah, and Washington counties.
- Salem-Keizer Together (SKT) Community Drug Prevention Network⁸
The city of Salem joined with other governments, agencies and businesses in 1989 to form the SKT Community Drug Prevention Network to reduce the abuse of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs in the area.

Federal Funding

- Drug Free Communities Support Program⁹
Since Drug-Free Communities funds were first available to community groups in FY 1998, only one Salem coalition has received funding. In FY 1999, the Mid-Williamette Valley Community Action Team received \$99,938.
- Executive Office for Weed and Seed¹⁰
There are no sites in Salem that have received Federal funding and official recognition as Weed and Seed sites.
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) FY 2001 Discretionary Funds received in Salem:¹¹
 - Center for Mental Health Services:
 - \$70,000 to Children's Services Family Network. Project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
 - \$99,703 to MHDDSD-OMHS. Project period: 9/30/01-9/29/04
 - Center for Substance Abuse Prevention:
 - No grantees

- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment:
 - No grantees
- Salem did not receive any funding through the FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs Drug Court Grant Program.¹²
- The city of Salem did not receive any methamphetamine funding in 2002 from the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services. The Marion County Sheriff's Office was awarded \$250,000 in methamphetamine funding.¹³
- FY 2001 Housing and Urban Development Drug Elimination Grant amount received in Salem:¹⁴
 - \$188,817 to the Housing Authority of Salem/Southfair Apartments
- FY 2002 Office of Justice Programs and Community Oriented Policing Services grant amounts received by Salem recipients:¹⁵
 - \$24,069,022 in formula funds
 - \$15,194,853 in discretionary funds

Crime and Drug-Related Crime

- From January through April 2003, there were 3,955 Part 1 and 4,942 Part 2 offenses reported in Salem.¹⁶
- There were 363 drug offenses known to the Salem Police Department from January through April 2003. During the same time period in 2002, there were 440 drug offenses known to police.¹⁷
- During full year 2002, there were 27,972 Part 1 and Part 2 offenses known to the Salem Police Department. This is a 10.2% increase over the 25,376 offenses reported in 2001.¹⁸
- The Marion Area Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team (MAGNET) made 201 arrests for methamphetamine possession/distribution in 2002.¹⁹

Number of MAGET Arrests, Marion County, 2002

Type of Offense	Number of Arrests
Possession/distribution –methamphetamine	201
Possession/distribution – cocaine	98
Possession/distribution – heroin	26
Possession/distribution – LSD	0
Possession/distribution – MDMA	1
Possession/distribution – marijuana	44
Possession/distribution – OxyContin	4
Manufacturing – marijuana	9
Manufacturing – cocaine	4
Manufacturing – methamphetamine	20

- The MAGNET Task Force also reported 38 arrests for the delivery of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a school and 89 arrests involving those who frequent/maintain a place where drugs are used.²⁰

Drugs

- Approximately 77.6% of Marion County residents reported some use of alcohol or illicit drugs in 1999. Slightly over 15% reported abuse or dependence on alcohol or illicit drugs.²¹

Adults Who Abuse/Depend on Drugs, Marion County, 1999

Drug type	Percent	Number
Alcohol and illicit drugs	15.3%	31,991
Alcohol	7.5	15,682
Any illicit drug	10.5	21,955
Marijuana	8.7	18,191
Cocaine	2.5	5,227
Methamphetamine	3.3	6,900
Heroin	0.5	1,045
Hallucinogens	2.7	5,645

Juveniles

- According to the Salem/Keizer 2002 Community Profile, 29% of Salem/Keizer 6th graders, 48% of 8th graders, and more than 85% of 12th graders reported “a lot” or “some” drug problems at their school.²²
- Approximately 16% of Salem/Keizer 11th graders surveyed in 2002 reported using marijuana with the past 30 days. This is down from 20% in 2000.²³

Percent of Students Reporting Past Month Use, Salem/Keizer, 2000-2002

Substance	Grade	2000	2001	2002
Alcohol	6th	9%	9%	7%
	8th	25	21	18
	11th	35	33	30
Cigarettes	6th	2	1	1
	8th	7	5	4
	11th	16	13	10
Marijuana	6th	2	2	2
	8th	12	11	8
	11th	20	18	16

- Twelve percent of Salem/Keizer 6th graders, 37% of 8th graders, and 75% of 11th graders surveyed in 2002 reported that marijuana was easy to obtain. Twenty-six percent of 11th graders reported that methamphetamine was easy to obtain.²⁴
- In the Willamette Valley, Central and Northern Coast areas of Oregon (“Region 3”), which include Marion and Polk Counties, 19.3% of 11th graders surveyed in 2000 reported using marijuana within the 30 days prior to being surveyed.²⁵

Past Month Drug Use, Public School Students, Region 3, 1998 and 2000

Drug Type	11 th Grade		8 th Grade		6 th Grade	
	1998	2000	1998	2000	1998	2000
Alcohol	42.4%	41.7%	27.2%	28.6%	9.2%	8.4%
Marijuana	21.1	19.3	13.2	5.9	1.9	1.0
Inhalants	3.4	1.2	9.2	6.7	5.3	5.8
Cigarettes	32.7	19.7	22.4	13.4	6.2	3.9
Smokeless tobacco	12.0	7.7	5.3	4.4	2.1	1.6
Stimulants	3.0	1.2	2.3	0.5	N/A	0.1
Narcotics	1.0	0.5	0.8	0.4	N/A	0.1
Cocaine	2.0	0.2	1.7	0.7	N/A	0.4
Psychedelics	3.3	0.6	2.4	0.9	N/A	0.2
Tranquilizers	2.0	2.1	1.8	1.7	N/A	0.6

Enforcement

- Marion Area Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team (MAGNET)²⁶
MAGNET is the largest narcotics task force in Oregon. The Salem Police Department is one of the agencies involved in MAGNET activities.
- As of October 31, 2001, there were 274 full-time law enforcement employees in Salem (174 officers and 100 civilians).²⁷

Trafficking and Seizures

- During 2002, efforts of the MAGNET task force resulted in the seizure of more than 4,600 grams of methamphetamine.²⁸

Amount of Drugs Seized by MAGNET Task Force, Marion County, 2002

Drug	Amount Seized
Crystal methamphetamine	189.59 grams
Methamphetamine	4,603.45 grams
Cocaine – powder	617.70 grams
Cocaine – rock	64 grams
MDMA	12 pills
Heroin	126.20 grams
LSD	0 grams
Hashish	6.80 grams
Marijuana	2,481.75 grams
Marijuana plants	128 plants
OxyContin	28 pills
Oxycodone	55 pills
Psilocybin mushrooms	3.5 grams

Courts

- Drug Courts²⁹
As of May 2003, there were two drug courts in Salem that had recently been implemented and one additional drug court that was being planned.

Treatment

- The city of Salem funds alcohol and drug detoxification for low-income residents experiencing problems with alcohol and drugs. The city provides this service through Cascadia Behavioral Health Care, Inc.³⁰
- Approximately 36,000 individuals were in need of drug/alcohol treatment in Marion County during 2001.³¹
- Approximately 5,400 people were actively enrolled in treatment programs in Marion County during FY 2001-2002.³²

Number of Clients in Treatment, Marion County, FY 2001-2002

Age	Number of Clients
10-17	418
18 and older	5,001
Total	5,419

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